IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

**CHARLESTON DIVISION** 

IN RE: ETHICON, INC.

PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEMS

PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL 2327

Marlene Staigmiller v. Ethicon, Inc., et al.

Civil Action Number 2:14-cv-28539

ORDER AND SUGGESTION OF REMAND

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1407 and the Rules for Multidistrict Litigation promulgated

thereunder, specifically Rule 10.1(b), the court suggests that this case be remanded to the United

States District Courts from which it came, the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The cases was

transferred by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation ("JPML") and is related to MDL 2327

("Ethicon MDL"), 2:12-md-2327, one of seven MDLs assigned to me by the JPML. The seven

MDLs combined totaled over 100,000 cases since inception.

Of the approximately 39,616 cases originally filed in or transferred to the Ethicon MDL,

498 remain. Of the remaining 498 cases, this case is ready to be remanded to the jurisdictions from

which it came. In particular, the time to conduct discovery is complete in this case, and the parties

have had time to file dispositive and *Daubert* motions, responses and replies. For the convenience

of the parties and in order to promote the final resolution of this case, it appears to the court that

the case would be more expeditiously concluded in the venues from which is arose. *Upon remand*,

I urge the receiving court to immediately set these cases for trial without reopening discovery.

Further discovery will only result in unjust delay. Extensive development of this case over a

period of years has made such further action completely unnecessary.

ORDERED to confer and to file *in their individual case*, all documents from the main MDL that the parties jointly deem relevant to constitute an appropriate record for the receiving court to consider. When filing the documents from the main MDL, the parties are directed to use the CM/ECF event entitled "Designation of Record for MDL Transfers" (available under Civil > Other Filings > Other Documents). When completing the event, the "Main Document" should be the list of joint designations from the main MDL, and the "Attachments" should be each individual document on the joint designation list with the "Description" being the ECF number and a brief description of the document (i.e. ECF 96 – Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment).

On the Transfer Date, the Clerk is hereby **DIRECTED** to use the appropriate function in CM/ECF to extract the case and remand it to the jurisdiction identified above. After remand of the

case, the Clerk is **DIRECTED** to formally dismiss the case and strike it from the docket of this court.

The court further **DIRECTS** that a copy of this Order and Suggestion of Remand be filed in this case and sent to the Clerk of the MDL Panel and counsel of record or any unrepresented party.

ENTER: May 29, 2020

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE